HOUSE BILL 1025

By Ferguson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, relative to home and community-based services for long-term care.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-1409(a), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following language as subdivision (2):

(2) As a part of the report required by subdivision (a)(1), the commissioner of health shall report to the health and human resources committee of the house of representatives and the general welfare, health and human resources committee of the senate on the enhancement of home and community-based services, both waiver-based and state-funded, in the long-term care services plan developed pursuant to this part. The report shall make recommendations for any changes to statute that would facilitate the enhancement of such services. The report shall also make recommendations for pilot projects and provide annual evaluative updates concerning such projects that involve home and community-based services.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.